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## STATUS INQUIRY

The above-identified application was filed on January 14, 2002, and to date applicants have received no substantive communication from the PTO. Accordingly, it is requested that the undersigned be advised as to when a first Office Action on the merits will be forthcoming.

Respectfully submitted,

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